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ENP#1# [] 2282 1#73 2# [] VCK/R172-72 SPOT REPORT (SONGBIRD) TACREP NR 918-72

BASEP [] FOXTROT ECHO, DTG, #8/#73#Z OCT 72. \$POSS SHOOTDOWN OF ALLIED

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BTWN #65#-#7#2Z, #8 OCT 72, IN A MESSAGE FROM THE CONTROLLER OF THE 724TH SAM REGT (LOC HANOI AREA), IT WAS STATED THAT BTN 46 (UNLOC) HAD FIRED A MISSILE AT #348Z AND THAT THE TGT HAD BURST INTO FLAMES. IT WAS ALSO STATED THAT AT #359Z, BTN 46 HAD FIRED ANOTHER MISSILE AND THAT IT HAD HIT AND POSSIBLY DOWNED THE TGT. AN UNID ELEMENT ALSO REPORTED THAT AN ACFT WAS SEEN BURNING AND IT MAY HAVE BEEN SHOT DOWN. COMMENT, THE FIRST SHOOTDOWN REFERENCED IN THIS REPORT WAS REPORTED IN MY 2# [] VCK/R171-72, DTG #8/#845Z, OCT 72. XXHH 25# #0648 NNN

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